DISPOSAL OF CASES ORIGINATING FROM VELLARAPILLY IN THE MAGISTRATE'S AND MUNSIFF'S COURT AT ERNAKULAM.

83. Mr. P. K. Madhava Menon: Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) total number of suits filed in the Magistrate's Court, Ernakulam, during the years 1110, 1111 and 1112; of these how many originated from Vellarapilly, viz., the villages of Malayattur, Kizhakkumbhagam, Thekkumbhagam, Vadakkumbhagam and Chowwara ;

(*b*) average time taken for the disposal of each case ;

(*c*) total number of witnesses who had to attend the court in connection with the above cases, and the number of times each witness had to attend ?

N. B.—For the sake of convenience, it will be enough for my purposes, if the number of witnesses is given as 10 in an instance where 2 witnesses had to attend 5 times each or 5 witnesses had to attend twice and so on. The number of private witnesses and the number of Government witnesses (i. e., witnesses to whom Government had to pay T. A.) may be mentioned separately. The figures may, if possible, be given separately for each year.

I request that similar information may be supplied to me relating to the original and small cause suits filed in the Munsiff's Courts at Ernakulam, for the years 1111, 1112 and 1110.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar:

	No. of cases.		
	Year 1110	*Year 1111*	*Year 1112*
(*a*)	486	452	484
Originated from Vellarapilly	21	18	19

(*b*) 62 days; 76·7 days; 49·5 days.

(*c*)	*Witnesses in*	*Private witnesses*	*Government witnesses*
	1110		
	146	93	53
	Witnesses in 1111		
	98	46	52
	Witnesses in 1112		
	85	4	

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The labour involved in collecting the information is not according to the Government worth the benefit to be derived therefrom.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon: May I know, Sir, in cases in which the witnesses are appearing for the prosecution and where Government is the prosecutor, are the Government paying the expenses to the witnesses so cited by them?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: Yes. In some cases witnesses have been paid.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon: Not in all cases where the prosecution is by Government?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: They have to be paid.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon: Are the Government aware that there have been several cases recently when the courts have refused such batta?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: We have no information.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon: For want of funds allotted to the respective criminal courts, will you take it from me that several witnesses have not been paid their usual batta?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: We shall look into the matter.

CASTE-WAR STATEMENT OF APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE STAFF SELECTION BOARD IN THE YEAR 1113.

84. **Mr. M. K. Devassy:** Will the Government be pleased to give a caste-war statement of the appointments made by the Staff Selection Board in the year 1113?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: The hon'ble member is requested to refer to the issues of the Cochin Government Gazette dated 26—1—13, 2—2—13, 9—2—13, 23—2—13, 14—3—13, 5—4—13, 3—5—13, 16—6—13, 29—6—13, 15—7—13, 6—8—13, 13—8—13, 10—9—13, 22—10—13, 29—10—13 and 11—11—13, in which the information has already been published.

PERMANENT APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE STAFF SELECTION BOARD AND THE SCALE OF PAY TO THE ANGLO-INDIANS AND JEWS.

85. **Mr. Shabdai S. Koder:** Will the Government be pleased to state the number of permanent appointments made by the Staff Selection Board and the scale of pay given to

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